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I would like to draw your attention to the following:

The Barratts brochure that was dropped in the pub and shop a few days ago, states that upgrades to existing sewage infrastructure will be required and delivered.

Through a Scottish Water Freedom of Information Act request we were able to confirm that there is no proposed project for additional capacity at Potterton. The Growth project is for Balmedie which Potterton would flow into (see Scottish Water Response and note on Potterton).

While Scottish Water did not feel they could be completely transparent about the status of the project, we can take some guidance on the note in the Balmedie Main Issues Report from SEPA, where they acknowledge that there is no firm date for the growth project. SEPA also stated all development should be restricted until "implementation" of the growth project - in Balmedie.

Picture 1: Extract from FOIA Scottish Water response

Picture 2: Extract from Balmedie Main Issues (SEPA)

Picture 3: Extract from Barratts Brochure

Interesting point also from Scottish Water stating that new connections can only be permitted once they've established there is no existing flood risk to existing residents and assets. Both sites are in the SEPA 1:200 flood risk, which is the highest risk category, not to mention the existing drainage issues.

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The same process is used to assess capacity for new wastewater connections. New connections can only be permitted once Scottish Water is satisfied that there is no additional flooding risk to existing customers and assets. There is no proposed project to provide additional capacity at the Potterton pumping station at this stage. However, Potterton pumps flows to the Balmedie wastewater treatment works which is the subject of a growth project. Therefore should any development enquiries of significant size come forward we would need to assess their proposed build out plans and understand whether any additional capacity at the works will be in place in time.

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- **Scottish Water** acknowledge that there is an issue with foul sewage capacity at the Balmedie Waste Water Treatment Works and are initiating a growth project to increase capacity for existing development and to accommodate new development within the catchment area. Upgrades to existing sewage infrastructure will be required and delivered.